Monitoring and Mapping America Crece - Growth in the Americas Success Stories



Project Title	Monitoring and Mapping America Crece - Growth in the Americas Success Stories
Summon	Analyze news summaries from publicly available sources to identify examples of new energy investments in Latin America and the Caribbean, and identify trends that encourage or prevent private sector investment in energy sectors across the region.
Country	United States

Project Description

Growth in the Americas (or America Crece) is a U.S. government initiative that seeks to catalyze private sector investment in energy and other infrastructure in Latin America and the Caribbean. Our goal is to foster job creation and jumpstart economic growth by facilitating urgently needed energy and infrastructure projects. ENR serves as the interagency lead of the Energy pillar under America Crece, working with other U.S. Government entities to coordinate our work to support and promote private investment. Energy policy and energy security fundamentally affect economic growth and a country's ability to prosper. This is even more important in the wake of COVID-19, as countries respond to both public health and economic crises and seek to hasten their economic recovery. As such, the foreign policy dimension of energy policy has never been more important in the Western Hemisphere. America Crece centers on building an enabling environment for private sector investment in energy and other infrastructure that is transparent, competitive, and in line with international best practices. We have a wide array of tools, including diplomatic engagement, exchanges, and technical assistance, to assist countries in actions such as conducting fair and transparent bid rounds, establishing fair and transparent regulations, and creating good governance and practices.

Growth in the America / America Crece's work often focuses on working with countries to create the right conditions to attract U.S. investment. In this project, VSFS interns would provide research into how private companies decide when to invest in a country's energy sector, examining barriers that prevent private investment in Latin America and the Caribbean and identifying new opportunities for investment. Interns would also track examples of new deals involving U.S. energy companies in Latin America and the Caribbean to illustrate and analyze how private industry respond to a country's attempts to improve their investment environment. Interns would work with the ENR America Crece team lead to create a tracker of major engagements through time, in addition to drafting reports for use by policy makers.

Required Skills or Interests

Skill(s)
Data visualization
Economic analysis
Editing and proofreading
Research
Writing

Additional Information

None

Language Requirements

Language Speaking Proficiency Reading Proficiency Importance

Spanish No practical proficiency Full professional proficiency Required